Water Pollution in Rajkot district

342. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that river Bhadar in Rajkot District in Gujarat has been polluted on a large scale due to the industrial effluents of Jetpur city;

(b) whether the Central Government are aware that people of Dhoraji city are contaminating diseases because they drink this water; and

(c) what preventive measures Government propose to take to relieve the people of Dhoraji and surrounding areas from the hazards of the pollution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI VIR SEN): (a) Yes, Sir;

(b) According to the State pollution Control Board, there is no information to this effect.

(c) In order to prevent discharge of pollutants into the river Bhadar, a collection and disposal system of effluents from Jetpur area has been implemented. This will prevent polluted water from going to Dhoraji.

Development of Tourism in Gujarat

343. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the new spots of tourism Government propose to develop in Gujarat during the current year and what is the estimated investment;

(b) how many people visited Gir forest in Junagadh district durnig the last year and what is the increase in comparison to that in previous two years; and

(c) how many new spots of tourists interest are proposed to be developed during the Seventh Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) The Department in consultation with the Government of Gujarat has identified 24 tourist centres in this State for phased development with the combined resources of State, Centre and Private sector. The proposals from the State Government for central assistance are yet to be received.

(b) According to the State Govenment 27105 tourists visited Gir Forest in Junagad District recording an increase of 88 per cent and 91 percent respectively in comparison to the previous two years.

(c) There is no proposal to develop new spots. However, the Department would consider the schemes for the 7th Five Year Plan as and when the State Government forwards such schemes for central assistance subject to the availability of funds and *inter-se* priorities.

Extension of Vayudoot Services in Tamil Nadu

344. SHRI R. MOHANARANGAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to extend Vayudoot services in Tamil Nadu on Madras-Salem, Madurai-Kanya Kumari and Madurai-Tuticorin routes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM AND CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government for the present.

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345. SHRI J. P. GOYAL:
SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that over a lakh of coloured posters costing